

Mahindra University

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Ph.D. in Risk Management Admission Notification (Fall 2026 Semester starting in Aug, 2026)

The newly established Centre for Enterprise Risk Management at Mahindra University will act as a dedicated hub for advancing IRM's globally recognised ERM qualifications, risk-focused research, faculty development, and capacity building. It aims to nurture a new generation of risk-intelligent leaders capable of helping organisations across sectors anticipate and navigate complex challenges across industries.

In a world of constant disruption—climate volatility, AI-driven change, regulatory shifts, and global interdependencies—risk management sits at the heart of sustainable success.

Our **Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Risk Management** empowers researchers to explore, expand, and redefine how organisations anticipate, assess, and respond to uncertainty using the **Institute of Risk Management (IRM) Taxonomy** and **Integrated Risk Management (IRM)** frameworks.

The Centre now invites applications for the **PhD in Risk Management programme**, commencing August 2026.

Why Choose This PhD?

- **Grounded in Global Frameworks:** Structured around IRM's globally recognised taxonomy of risk—encompassing financial, technological, geopolitical, environmental, and social dimensions.
- **Integrated Systems View:** Based on the IRM model that unifies risk strategy, governance, capacity, and culture.
- **Research with Impact:** Join a programme that bridges theory, policy, and practice—shaping risk resilience across sectors.
- **Expert Mentorship:** Learn from internationally accredited IRM professionals and experienced risk scholars.
- **Industry Collaboration:** Engage with corporate, public, and non-profit partners through real-world research projects.

Supervision & Research Support

- Each candidate is matched with a **primary supervisor** and **co-supervisor** aligned with their research domain.
- Access to IRM-certified faculty, guest lectures, and practitioner roundtables.
- Methodology training in **quantitative, qualitative, and mixed methods** for advanced risk research.
- Support for **publication, conference presentations, and industry dissemination.**

Ph.D. Specializations for Fall 2026 semester: (Aug'26 Intake)

Doctoral candidates are encouraged to align their research proposals with one or more IRM taxonomy domains or IRM capability dimensions. Indicative areas include:

1. Risk Taxonomy & Classification

How risk categories evolve across industries—digital ecosystems, climate risk, or AI ethics.

2. Risk Capacity, Maturity & Governance

Exploring risk appetite, governance models, and maturity frameworks using IRM standards.

3. Strategic–Operational Risk Integration

Examining how enterprises link strategic intent with risk execution and control.

4. Systemic & Emerging Risks

Studying cascading failures, resilience networks, and dynamic risk interdependencies.

5. Risk Culture & Behaviour

Investigating how leadership, communication, and culture influence risk decision-making.

6. Risk Metrics & Technology

Developing predictive metrics, AI tools, and digital risk dashboards for integrated risk management

Eligibility:

Programme	Minimum qualification required for admission	Admission Process
<p>Ph.D. (Full Time ONLY)</p>	<p>A Master's degree (or equivalent) in Risk Management, Business, Finance, Policy, Engineering, or related fields.</p>	<p>Entrance Test followed by Interview (For Shortlisted Applicants)</p>

Along with the application form, applicants will be required to submit the following:

- A **1,000–2,000 word research proposal** demonstrating alignment with the IRM taxonomy or Integrated Risk Management frameworks.
- Two academic references and a statement of purpose outlining your research interests and professional goals.

Ph.D. Entrance Test:

Candidates not having valid GATE score or UGC/CSIR/DBT/INSPIRE will have to appear in the written Test to be conducted by ECSE-MU, followed by an interview for the shortlisted candidates.

Mahindra University Ph.D. Entrance Test: 13-Jun'26 (Saturday) at Mahindra University Campus

FEE STRUCTURE & Ph.D. ASSISTANTSHIP (Free Boarding & Lodging):

INR 75000/-
PER ANNUM

INR 20000/-
SECURITY DEPOSIT
(ONE TIME PAYMENT)

PH.D. ASSISTANTSHIP (for full time scholars)
INR 35000/- PER MONTH*
(plus Boarding & Lodging)

Important Dates (* Subject to revision):

Last Date for submission of applications	27 th May, 2026
Shortlisting of candidates for interview	3 rd Jun, 2026
Ph.D. Entrance Test / Interview	20 th Jun, 2026
Announcement of Results	30 th Jun, 2026
Commencement of the Fall 2026 Semester Teaching	6 th Aug,2026

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